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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE
ADJUTANT GENERAL
OF THE
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
FOR THE YEARS 1881-82.



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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WHEELING, W. VA., NOV. 1, 1882.

To His Excellency, J. B. JACKSON,

Governor and Commander-in-Chief:

GOVERNOR:—I have the honor herewith to submit the following biennial report of the Military Department of the State:

Having been honored by you with the appointment of Adjutant General on the first day of November, 1881, I immediately entered upon the duties of my office. The office work of this department, for the year past, has been mainly that of corresponding with the several Government departments at Washington, in giving to them all information desired in regard to the military record of West Virginia soldiers, who served in the army during the late war, and who, having lost their discharge papers, are required to furnish evidence, from the State Military records, of their service and honorable discharge, before claims for pensions and bounty are considered.

Since the late act of Congress, making further appropriation for the payment of soldiers' pension claims, the work in this department has greatly increased by renewed correspondence with said applicants.

Since last report, the volunteer militia strength of our State has been considerably reduced. The First Regiment, organized some five years ago, has ceased to exist, the "Goff Light Guards" being the last company to disband and turn over their arms and equipments to the State. I have also to report the disbanding of several unattached volunteer organizations in other sections of the State.

The cause assigned for this want of military spirit in our State is, so I am told by those directly interested in this matter, an apparent indifference on the part of the State to give substantial aid and support to her volunteer soldiery.

Our volunteer militia at present numbers about four hundred and

fifty, which I think could soon be increased to one thousand by the re-enlistment of disbanded companies, if the State would render reasonable aid in the premises.

The Second Regiment, West Virginia Volunteers, commanded by Colonel J. W. M. Appleton, head-quarters at Charleston, West Virginia, is the only regiment in the State. This regiment has, on several occasions, proved to be very prompt in responding to the call of the Executive for the purpose of suppressing lawlessness in certain sections of our State. There are, at present, eight companies in this regiment, all fully equipped and armed. We have also four companies, unattached organizations. These, too, are armed with improved, breech-loading rifles.

These commands are scattered in different sections of the State, but most of them, being of easy access to railroad and river transportation, can be made available for service at almost any given point within a short time.

I think there can be no doubt but that it has been fully demonstrated, by the experience had in our own, as well as in other States, how important it is that we have an organized and well equipped volunteer militia force, though that force be comparatively small, for, as compared with raw militia, it would, by its very presence, in most instances, have the desired effect of quelling contemplated riot and mob violence. I hope therefore, that our Legislature, so soon to convene, may, in its wisdom, see proper to make such provision for assisting our State soldiery, as will insure the keeping up of a well disciplined volunteer force.

I beg leave, through this report, to call the attention of the Legislature to the importance of making further appropriations for the completion of the copying of valuable war records in this department, I allude especially to the *muster out rolls* of West Virginia soldiers. These rolls are referred to almost daily for the purpose of giving information asked for by the Pension and War departments, with reference to the military record of certain applicants for pension and land claims. By an act passed by the Legislature March 14, 1881, there was an appropriation made of one thousand dollars for this purpose, which sum was expended in accordance with said act, but was found to be insufficient to complete the work. The frequent handling of these rolls, in unfolding and refolding them, causes them to break, and they soon become almost useless for reference.

In having these rolls copied, it is the intention to have them bound in book form; thus giving to the State a complete and lasting record of her soldiers, and at the same time give very decided aid to the officer whose duty it is to refer to them for the purpose of giving the desired information to those whose interests demand it.

I herewith respectfully submit, as a part of this report, the reports of Colonel J. W. M. Appleton, commanding Second West Virginia Regiment, and of Major J. M. Lee, commanding Cadet Corps, West Virginia University.

The appropriation made last winter by Act of Legislature in special session, for \$561.51, to compensate companies "F," "E" and "H" of the Second Regiment, West Virginia Volunteers, for services rendered the State in aiding civil officers to preserve the peace in

Fayette county in the month of November, 1881, has been paid over to said companies, as provided for in said act, and vouchers therefor filed in this office.

There will be found attached and made part of this report, a roster of the commander-in-chief and staff, with field, staff and line officers, list of volunteer companies, names, rank and date of commission of officers, also list of Quartermasters' stores and ordnance, received, issued and remaining on hand.

In closing my report, I would express to your Excellency, as also to all State officers, with whom I have been associated, my appreciation of the courtesy and kindness shown me on all occasions.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. F. BUTLER, Jr.,
Adjutant General and A. Q. M. G.

R O S T E R

OF THE

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

AND OF THE

FIELD, STAFF AND LINE OFFICERS WEST
VIRGINIA VOLUNTEER MILITIA.

Commander-in-Chief,
JACOB B. JACKSON,
Parkersburg, Wood county.

Adjutant General and A. Q. M. G.,
W. F. BUTLER, JR.,
Wheeling, Ohio county.

Aids to Governor, Rank of Colonel,
LYMAN B. DELLICKER, of Wood county.
JFRE. A. MILLER, of Ohio county.
J. J. S. HASSLER, of Jackson county.
D. L. RUFFNER, of Kanawha county.
A. C. FULKERSON, of Wayne county.
C. MASON PENDLETON, of Morgan county.
FRANK BECKWITH, of Jefferson county.

SECOND REGIMENT.

COLONEL.

Date of Commission

J. W. M. Appleton, Charleston.....February 26, 1880

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LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

J. Alexander Montgomery, Lewisburg.....February 26, 1880

SENIOR MAJOR.

D. S. Vanmeter, Point Pleasant.....February 26, 1880

JUNIOR MAJOR.

J. W. A. Ford, Lewisburg.....February 26, 1880

SURGEON, RANK OF MAJOR.

Lawrence Carr, Charleston.....March 10, 1880

ADJUTANT.

Thomas E. Jeffries, Charleston.....March 10, 1880

QUARTERMASTER.

Samuel A. Miller, Jr., Charleston.....March 10, 1880

PAYMASTER.

Frank Woodman, Charleston.....March 10, 1880

CHAPLAIN.

Rev. R. A. Cobb, Charleston.....March 10, 1880

COMPANY OFFICERS OF SECOND REGIMENT.

COMPANY "A," HALE RIFLEMEN.

Captain, George H. Duling.....Kanawha Salines
First Lieutenant, James H. Hastings.....Kanawha Salines
Second Lieutenant, J. Muncey.....Kanawha Salines

COMPANY "B," MASON COUNTY RIFLEMEN.

	Date of Commission
Captain, W. C. Whaley, Point Pleasant	June 7, 1879
First Lieutenant, James A. Smith, Point Pleasant.....	March 13, 1880
Second Lieutenant, J. S. Spencer, Point Pleasant.....	June 7, 1879

COMPANY "C," FAIRVIEW RIFLE GUARD.

Captain, W. E. Wilkinson, Wayne C. H.....June 19, 1879
First Lieutenant, P. H. Napier, Wayne C. H.....June 19, 1879
Second Lieutenant, Andrew Fry, Wayne C. H.....June 19, 1879

COMPANY "D," HEREFORD GUARDS.

Captain, N. M. Lowry, Hinton.....January 2, 1880
First Lieutenant, L. M. Dunn, Hinton.....January 2, 1880
Second Lieutenant, W. R. Thompson, Hinton.....January 2, 1880

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COMPANY "E," HAWK'S NEST RIFLEMEN.

Date of Commission

Captain, John M. Alderson, Hawk's Nest.....January 19, 1880
 First Lieutenant, W. N. Page, Hawk's Nest.....January 19, 1880
 Second Lieutenant, John Sheehan, Hawk's Nest.....January 19, 1880

COMPANY "F," GREENBRIER LIGHT INFANTRY GRAYS.

Captain, E. D. Withrow, Lewisburg.....November 17, 1881
 First Lieutenant, Jas. C. McPherson, Lewisburg...November 17, 1881
 Second Lieutenant, John F. Estill, Lewisburg.....November 17, 1881

COMPANY "G," MONROE ARTILLERY.

Captain, J. D. McCartney, Union April 10, 1880
 First Lieutenant, John D. Dunlap, Union.....April 10, 1880
 Second Lieutenant, J. N. Leach, Union.....April 10, 1880

COMPANY "H," NICHOLAS MOUNTED RIFLES.

Captain, John J. Halstead, Nicholas C. H.....March 4, 1880
 First Lieutenant, A. A. Hamilton, Kesler's Lanes.....March 4, 1880
 Second Lieutenant, W. A. Graves, Nicholas C. H.....March 4, 1880

UNATTACHED ORGANIZATIONS.

THOMPSON GRAYS.

Captain, Frank G. Dodge, Parkersburg.....July 26, 1880
 First Lieutenant, J. L. Blackford, Parkersburg....September 13, 1879
 Second Lieutenant, Oscar Jenkins, Parkersburg...September 13, 1879

MARTINSBURG LIGHT ARTILLERY.

Captain, J. Q. A. Nadenbousch, Martinsburg.....October 1, 1880
 First Lieutenant, Geo. F. Evans, Martinsburg.....October 1, 1880
 Second Lieutenant, J. F. Nadenbousch, Martinsburg..October 1, 1880
 Third Lieutenant, Frank S. Williams, Martinsburg...October 1, 1880

MARTIN GUARDS.

Captain, G. M. Clark, Fairview.....December 20, 1878
 First Lieutenant, James Seals, Fairview.....December 20, 1878
 Second Lieutenant, A. B. Youst, Fairview.....January 20, 1879

COMMISSIONS ISSUED.

Geo. F. Evans, 1st Lieut. Martinsburg Lt. Art'y, April 1, 1881.
 Jas. F. Nadenbousch, 2d Lieut. Martinsburg Lt. Art'y, April 1, 1881.
 Frank S. Williams, 3d Lieut. Martinsburg Lt. Art'y, April 1, 1881.
 Jas. H. Hastings, 2d Lieut. Hale Riflemen, March 29, 1881.
 E. D. Withrow, Capt. Greenbrier Lt. Inft. Grays, Jan. 17, 1882.
 Jas. C. McPherson, 1st Lieut. Greenbrier Lt. Inft. Grays, Jan. 17, 1882.
 John F. Estill, 2d Lieut. Greenbrier Lt. Inft. Grays, Jan. 17, 1882.

COMPANIES DISBANDED AND MUSTERED OUT BY REASON OF EXPIRATION OF TERM OF SERVICE SINCE LAST REPORT.

Sheridan Rifles, Capt. W. N. Lynch, Wheeling.
 Delaplain Guards, Capt. A. W. Pritchard, Mannington.
 Davis Light Guards, Capt. J. E. Watson, Fairmont.
 Garrett Rifles, Capt. E. L. Basnett, Fairmont.
 Goff Light Guards, Capt. W. T. Otto, Wheeling.
 Kanawha Riflemen, Capt. C. P. Snyder, Charleston.
 Hardy Guards, Capt. J. B. Gilkeson, Moorefield.
 New Creek Guards, Capt. George E. Price, Keyser.
 Martin Guards, Capt. George M. Clark, Fairview.

ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE STORES RECEIVED FROM ALL SOURCES FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 1882.

FROM GOVERNMENT.

2000 Rifle ball cartridges, caliber 50.	1000 Friction primers.
7000 Rifle ball cartridges, caliber 45.	100 Firing pins—M—1868, caliber 50.
1000 Carbine ball cartridges, caliber 50.	2 Light 12-pds. bronze guns.
1000 Carbine blank cartridges, caliber 50.	2 Light 12-pds. carriages and limbers C. & R.
100 12-pdr. shot fixed.	2 Light 12-pdr. caissons and limbers C. & R.
100 3-inch Hotchkiss shot prepared.	

IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENTS FOR CARRIAGES AND CAISSONS.

2 Cochorn mortars with implements.	150 Carbine cartridge boxes (Sharp's).
2 Paulins 12x15 feet.	150 Bayonets and scabbards
150 Springfield B. L. cadet muskets model 1869, caliber 50.	150 Waist belts and plates,

FROM COMPANIES DISBANDED.

85 Breech-loading rifles, caliber 45.	48 Clothes bags.
88 Bayonets	5 Shoulder braces.
92 Bayonet scabbards, steel.	85 Canteens and straps.
86 Cartridge boxes.	5 Officers' swords.
82 Waist belts and plates.	6 Extra scabbards.
64 Gun slings.	5 Non-com. officers' swords.
82 Haversacks.	

ISSUE OF ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE STORES.

TO WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, MORGANTOWN.

75 Sets infantry equipments N. R.	100 3-inch Hotchkiss shot, fully prepared.
6 Officers' swords.	3000 Carbine ball cartridge, caliber 50.
2 Extra scabbards.	2000 Carbine blank cartridge, caliber 50.
9 Non-com. officers' swords.	3000 Friction primers.
6 M. L. Muskets.	100 Firing pins, M, 1868, caliber 50.
10 Artillery sabers.	2 Light 12-pdr. bronze guns.
75 Canteens and straps.	2 Light 12-pdr. carriages and limbers C. & R.
75 Haversacks.	2 Light 12-pdr. caissons and limbers C. & R.
100 12-pdr. shot, fixed.	

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IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENTS FOR CARRIAGES AND CAISSONS.

2 Cochorn mortars with implements.	150 Bayonets.
2 Paulins 12x15 feet.	150 Bayonet scabbards, leather.
150 Springfield B. L. Muskets mod. 1869, cal. 50.	150 Waist belts and plates.

TO COL. J. W. M. APPLETON, CHARLESTON.

2000 Rifle ball cartridges, caliber 50.	7000 Rifle ball cartridges, caliber 45.
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TO J. W. COOPER, SHERIFF BROOKE CO.

20 B. L. rifles, caliber 45.	160 Rifle ball cartridges.
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TO COL. A. C. FULKERSON, WAYNE COUNTY.

300 Rifle ball cartridges, caliber 45.	200 Revolver ball cartridges, caliber 45.
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TO CAPT. FRANK G. DODGE, PARKERSBURG.

830 Blank cartridges, metal, caliber 45.

The field guns and mortars, with caissons, carriages and equipments belonging thereto, as also the breech-loading muskets and infantry equipments, in the issue to the West Virginia University, have been in use by the cadet corps for some time past, and was the property of the Government, but is now owned by this State, a transfer having been effected last spring, and the value of said property charged up to the State, the amount being in full of apportionment due her by the *General Government* on account of arms, ordnance stores, etc., up to July 1, 1883.

ISSUE OF ARMS, EQUIPMENTS, &C., TO VOLUNTEER MILITIA COMPANIES, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

MARTIN GUARDS.

30 B. L. rifles, cal. 45.	30 Canteens.
30 Bayonets.	30 Haversacks.
30 Bayonet scabbards.	3 Officers' swords.
30 Cartridge boxes.	3 Extra scabbards.
30 Waist belts.	

NEW CREEK GUARDS.

40 B. L. Rifles, cal. 45.	40 Bayonets.
40 Waist belts.	40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Gun slings.	40 Cartridge boxes.
40 Haversacks.	3 Officer's swords.
40 Canteens.	3 Extra scabbards.

HARDY GUARDS.

40 B. L. Rifles, cal. 45.	40 Gun slings.
40 Bayonets.	3 Officer's swords.
40 Bayonet scabbards.	3 Extra scabbards.
40 Cartridge boxes.	5 Non-com. officer's swords.

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MASON COUNTY RIFLEMEN.

40 B. L. Rifles, cal. 45.
40 Bayonets
40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Waist belts.
40 Cartridge boxes.

23 Gun slings.
36 Canteens.
40 Haversacks.
3 Officer's swords.
3 Extra scabbards.

GREENBRIER LIGHT INFANTRY GRAYS.

40 B. L. Rifles, cal. 45.
40 Bayonets
40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Waist belts
40 Cartridge boxes.
40 Shoulder braces.

40 Clothes bags.
40 Haversacks.
40 Canteens
3 Officer's swords.
2 Extra scabbards.

HEREFORD GUARDS.

40 B. L. rifles, caliber 50.
40 Bayonets.
40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Cartridge boxes.
40 Canteens.

40 Haversacks.
40 Waist belts.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.

HAWK'S NEST RIFLEMEN.

40 B. L. rifles, caliber 50.
40 Bayonets.
40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Cartridge boxes.
40 Waist belts.

40 Haversacks.
40 Canteens.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.
3 Colt's revolvers, caliber 45.

KANAWHA RIFLEMEN.

60 B. L. rifles, caliber 45.
60 Bayonets.
60 Bayonet scabbards.
60 Cartridge boxes.
60 Waist belts.
60 Shoulder braces.
60 Clothes bags.
60 Haversacks.

60 Canteens.
60 Meat ration cans.
50 Tin cups.
1 Gatling gun complete, caliber 45.
1 Set harness for two wheel horses.
2 Colt's revolvers, caliber 45.
2 Officers' swords.
2 Extra scabbards.

HALE RIFLEMEN.

40 B. L. rifles, cal. 45,
40 Bayonets.
40 Bayonet scabbards.
39 Cartridge boxes.
40 Haversacks.

40 Canteens.
40 Waist belts.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.

GARBETT RIFLES.

50 B. L. rifles, caliber 50.
50 Bayonets.
50 Bayonet scabbards.
50 Waist belts.
50 Gun slings.

50 Cartridge boxes.
50 Canteens.
50 Haversacks.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.

THOMPSON GRAYS.

30 B. L. rifles, caliber 45.
30 Bayonets.
40 Bayonet scabbards.
40 Cartridge boxes.
40 Waist belts.
40 Haversacks.

40 Canteens.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.
2 Colt's revolvers, caliber 45.
1 Smith & Wesson revolver, caliber 45.

FAIRVIEW RIFLE GUARDS.

30 B. L. rifles, caliber 45.
30 Bayonets.
30 Bayonet scabbards.
30 Cartridge boxes.
30 Haversacks.

30 Canteens.
30 Waist belts.
3 Officers' swords.
3 Extra scabbards.

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MARTINSBURG LIGHT ARTILLERY.

2 6-pounder bronze guns.
 2 12-pounder bronze field howitzers.
 4 Gunners' haversacks.
 4 Hand spike trails
 4 Sets harness for Wheel horses
 4 Sets harness for lead horses.
 4 Lanyards for friction primers.
 4 Priming wires.
 8 Thumb stalls.
 4 Tube pouches.

4 Vent covers.
 64 Sabres.
 64 Sabre belts.
 64 Smith & Wesson revolvers, cal 45.
 64 Pistol holsters.
 64 Pistol cartridge boxes.
 16 Nose bags.
 8 Artillery whips.
 4 Paulins 12x15.

MONROE ARTILLERY.

36 B. L. rifles, cal. 45.
 35 Bayonets.
 32 Bayonet scabbards.
 48 Shoulder braces.
 42 Canteens
 44 Haversacks.

44 Clothes bags.
 35 Waist belts.
 3 Officers' swords.
 2 Non-com. officers' swords.
 3 Colt's revolvers, cal. 45.

NICHOLAS MOUNTED RIFLEMEN.

35 B. L. carbines, cal 45.
 35 Carbine cartridge pouches
 35 Carbine slings.

35 Canteens.
 35 Haversacks.
 3 Officers' swords.

ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE STORES IN CONDITION FOR ISSUE IN ARMORY.

1 Gatling gun and carriage complete, cal. 45.
 40 B. L. Rifles, cal. 50, complete.
 171 B. L. Rifles, cal. 45, complete.
 432 Cartridge boxes.
 152 Waist belts.
 367 Bayonet scabbards.
 155 Haversacks.
 187 Canteens.
 262 Clothes bags.
 237 Shoulder braces.

67 Blanket straps.
 4 Officer's swords and scabbards.
 4 Extra scabbards.
 6 Non-com. officer's swords and scabbards.
 76 Knives, forks and spoons.
 100 Meat ration cans.
 70 Tin cups
 2 Sets harness and saddle for Gatling gun.
 1000 Blank cartridges, cal. 50.
 1800 Ball cartridges, cal. 45.

REPORT OF COL. J. W. M. APPLETON.

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS, }
CHARLESTON, W. VA., November 21, 1881. }

To W. F. BUTLER, JR.,

Adjutant General State of West Virginia :

SIR:—I have the honor to make the report of the movement of portions of my regiment during the past week. Tuesday evening, November 15, at about 8.30 o'clock, I was summoned by a Deputy Marshal to report to the United States Marshal at the jail. On doing so I was directed to take charge of a posse for the protection of the jail and its contents against violence from an anticipated mob ; also to have company notified in order that it might be summoned as a posse in case of need. I notified Company A, Captain Duling, at Kanawha Salines, by the following order :

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS, }
CHARLESTON, W. VA. }

[Special Order No. 42.]

CAPTAIN GEORGE H. DULING, OR LIEUTENANT WM. HAROLD,

Company A, Second West Virginia Volunteers :

As the United States authorities, through the Marshal for this district, have taken charge of the jail here, and placed a guard over it, it may become desirable to relieve the present guards by a detail of the whole or a part of your company. You will therefore notify your men, and without taking them from their duties, have them in readiness to report to me in Charleston at short notice. In case of any organized attack upon the jail becoming known to you, collect your company at once and report to me without further orders.

JOHN W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

There being much excitement and many rumors of the organization and movement of a body of men for the purpose of lynching one

or more prisoners, Captain Duling and his officers, under liberal interpretation of the above order, sent to the jail about 9 o'clock Wednesday night, First Lieutenant Wm. Harold and Second Lieutenant James H. Hastings and ten men. This detachment was accepted by the United States Marshal as a posse and put on guard for the night. The detachment was relieved in the morning and marched back to the Salines under orders to hold themselves in readiness for guard duty when called upon by the Marshal. The cheerful promptness with which these men responded to my call after a hard day's work, and then marched home, six miles, to go to work again at 6 o'clock in the morning, is worthy of mention.

The understanding with Judge Jackson and the Marshal was, that I was to supply guards, if required, for Saturday night. Thursday evening about 7:30 o'clock the following telegram was received:

"CANNELTON, W. VA., Nov. 17, 1881."

COLONEL J. W. M. APPLETON:

I have summoned the "Hawk's Nest Riflemen" by authority of section 2, page 134, Code of West Virginia, to come to this place tonight to assist in preserving the public peace; and I fear that company will be insufficient for the purpose. I think it discreet to call upon you to have in readiness any company available, to be ordered here in case of outbreak.

(Signed)

WM. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County, W. Va.

Shortly after the receipt of this telegram, Colonel D. L. Ruffner, A. D. C., called upon me and stated that he had been to Cannelton by order of the Commander-in-Chief, and directed me to fill the requisition of the Sheriff for the additional company if needed, and to report to headquarters. Conscious that if we had any outbreak at all, at Cannelton, it would be serious, I issued the following orders by telegraph:

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS, }
CHARLESTON, W. VA., Nov. 17, 1881. }

(Special Order No. 43.)

MAJOR J. W. A. FORD, *Lewisburg, W. Va.:*

Organize company if you can and be ready to join me at Cannelton if needed. Tell Withrow I count on him.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second W. Va. Vols.

The Greenbrier's Grays had disbanded, but as will be seen later, nobly responded to this call, which they were under no legal obligation to heed.

[Special Order No. 44.]

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS,
CHARLESTON, November 17, 1881. }
CAPTAIN N. M. LOWRY, *Hinton, W. Va.* :

Have your men in readiness to move; may want you to join me at Cannelton.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second W. Va. Vols.

[Special Order No. 45] (telegram.)

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS,
CHARLESTON, November 17, 1881. }
CAPTAIN J. D. MCCARTNEY, *Union, Monroe County, W. Va., via. Fort Spring* :

Have your company in readiness to join at Caannelton if needed.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

To Sheriff Tyree the following message was sent :

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS.

WM. TYREE,

Sheriff Fayette County, Cannelton, West Virginia:

I have notified Lewisburg, Hinton and Union companies. Salines company is all ready.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

The following telegrams will show the progress of affairs :

CANNELTON, November 18, 1881.

COLONEL APPLETON :

The indications here are, that we will need a larger force. Please have them ready to start at a moment's warning. Will let you hear soon.

W. M. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County.

Received at 2 o'clock p. m.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., November 18—2 o'clock p. m.

SHERIFF TYREE, *Cannelton* :

Had not I better order down Lowry's Company at once?

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

CANNELTON, November 18—2:15 P. M.

COLONEL APPLETON :

Please order the Lewisburg Company down on No. 1.

W. M. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County.

[Special Order No. 46.—Telegram.]

HEADQUARTERS SECOND WEST VIRGINIA VOLUNTEERS,
CHARLESTON, November 18, 3 P. M. }

LIEUTENANT COLONEL MONTGOMERY OR MAJOR FORD,

Lewisburg, West Virginia :

If you can, bring down Withrow's Company to Frederick Station, near Cannelton, and report to Sheriff Tyree. Come on No. 1 to-night. Answer this.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

CHARLESTON, November 18, 3:15 P. M.

SHERIFF W. M. TYREE, *Cannelton :*

Have ordered Lewisburg Company down as desired. You had better have what men Lowry has at Hinton, as Lewisburg Company has not fully organized. Shall I order Lowry's Company down?

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

CHARLESTON, November 18, 3:30 P. M.

GOVERNOR JACKSON, *Wheeling, West Virginia :*

Have been asked by Sheriff Tyree to order Greenbrier Company to Cannelton to-night. Have done so, but fear they may not respond promptly as they have not reorganized. My Companies are weak and widely scattered, and it takes time to move them. Could order "Union Company," Monroe County, to move, but would take twenty-four hours to get them to Cannelton. Wayne-county Company, thirty-six hours; Nicholas Company much longer; Kanawha Salines. Company has been guarding jail here for United States authorities. Answer and give explicit orders.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

Later in the day information came that wires were cut down between Ronceverte and Lewisburg, and the following message was sent :

CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, November 18, 1881.

SHERIFF TYREE, *Cannelton :*

Wires down between Ronceverte and Lewisburg. If you find you have not force to carry out your plans, do not sacrifice my men, wait until I can get reinforcements to you.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Colonel Second West Virginia Volunteers.

Nothing more came during the night, but the next forenoon Sheriff Tyree sent the following :

CANNELTON, Nov. 19, 1881.

COLONEL APPLETON :

I had hoped to be able to countermand my requisition for another Company of Military this morning, but, as now advised, I think the greatest danger is likely to occur to-night, and if possible, get me another Company at once. All the new miners worked a part of yesterday, and all in the bank to-day which is producing the trouble. Answer at once.

W. M. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County.

In consequence the following was issued :

[Special Order No. 47.]

HEAD QUARTERS SECOND W. VA. VOLUNTEERS, }
CHARLESTON, November, 19, 1881. }

CAPTAIN N. M. LOWRY, *Hinton :*

Take all the men you can to Crescent and reinforce the Hawk's Nest Company. Report to Sheriff Tyree, who is there; go by earliest train you can.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

The following messages were received :

RONCEVERTE, November 18th—11 A. M.

COL. APPLETON :

Will try and organize company to-morrow; message came too late to organize and take train to-night.

J. W. A. FORD,
Maj. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

UNION, MONROE COUNTY, W. VA., }
November 18, 1881. }

COL. APPLETON :

Your orders of this morning received, and accordingly the members of my company have been notified and are ready to move at a moment's notice.

J. D. McCARTNEY,
Capt. Monroe Company.

This message was sent :

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Nov. 19, 1881.

W. M. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County, Cannelton, West Virginia :

I order Captain Lowry to bring you what men he can by next train; Major Ford got message too late to reorganize company and come by

No. 1 last night; he will try and do it to-day. If you find that you will not need him, notify him and me.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

Received at 12:55 P. M.:

WHEELING, W. VA., Nov. 19, 1881.

COL. J. W. M. APPLETON:

Have received telegram from Sheriff Tyree, saying, Hawk's Nest Company on duty and all quiet. Do not order any other company to Cannelton, unless necessary to preserve peace. I rely upon your discretion, consult with Col. Ruffner. If you find it necessary for additional force, order the nearest company. Report your actions.

J. B. JACKSON,
Governor.

Received at 6:40 P. M.:

HINTON, November 18, 1881.

COL. APPLETON:

Will leave on No. 1 train with twenty men.

N. M. LOWRY,
Captain Company "E."

These messages were then sent:

[Special Order No. 48.]

HEADQUARTERS SECOND W. VA. VOLUNTEERS, }
November 19, 1881. }

MAJOR J. N. A. FORD, *Lewisburg*:

Do not move company from Lewisburg until further orders. Go on and organize. Letter received.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 19, 1881.

SHERIFF TYREE, *Cannelton*:

Have ordered Greenbrier Company to wait further orders, as Lowry will be with you by No. 1 to-night with his company. Put on civil guard and let troops off as soon as safe.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Nov. 19, 1881.

GOVERNOR J. B. JACKSON, *Wheeling, W. Va.*:

Captain Lowry's company—twenty-one guns, reached Sheriff Tyree at 1 o'clock to-night on his requisition for more force, I have or-

dered Greenbrier men not to move until further orders. Have told Sheriff Tyree to let off troops as soon as possible, and put on civil guard. Think the trouble is over.

J. W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

Major Ford telegraphed that the Greenbrier Grays have reorganized and enlisted for three years and are ready for duty.

Captain Lowry telegraphed an enquiry about the transportation of his men.

Captain J. E. Mallory, for the Railroad Company, ordered the conductor to bring the company down and keep account of the number.

Major VanMatre from Point Pleasant telegraphed. "If necessary can move this company at any moment."

Sunday, November 20th, the following dispatch came:

CANNELTON, November 20, 1881.

COL. APPLETON:

Captain Lowry arrived here with twenty-four men at 1:30 this morning. There was no violence offered by strickers last night, and if quiet continues through to-night, Captain Lowry and men will return home to-morrow morning at 4:30; and Captain Alderson and men at 2:10 to-morrow afternoon.

W. M. TYRE,
Sheriff Fayette County.

On Monday came the following:

CANNELTON, November 21, 1881.

COL. APPLETON:

"Hawk's Nest Riflemen" left for home on No. 2 this morning, "Hereford Guards" will go this afternoon. Everything quiet and new men at work.

W. M. TYREE,
Sheriff Fayette County.

The following orders were issued by telegram:

[Special Order No. 48.]

To CAPT. J. D. MCCARTNY, *Union Monroe County:*

Dismiss your company, letter by mail.

To MAJOR FORD, *Lewisburg, W. Va.:*

Dismiss your company, all quiet; will write.

TO MAJOR VANMATRE, *Point Pleasant* :

All quiet, will not be needed this time.

This ends my report. I cannot too highly commend the prompt patriotism of the officers and men of the Regiment, they show themselves always ready for any duty the State may call upon them to perform, and often at much personal sacrifice.

I am most respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN W. M. APPLETON,
Col. Second W. Va. Volunteers.

REPORT OF MAJ. JAS. M. LEE,
COMMANDING CADETS,
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

MORGANTOWN, September 20, 1882.

W. F. BUTLER, JR.,

Adjutant General West Virginia.

DEAR SIR:—I take pleasure in presenting to you a brief report of the Military Department of the West Virginia University for the past year.

The Military Department of the University has been gradually increasing in interest, efficiency and popularity, since the establishment of the Institution. It is an essential to the continuance of the advantages of the endowment given by the General Government at that time.

During the year ending with commencement, June 8, 1882, this department experienced in many respects, its highest degree of prosperity.

The "regular" cadets, (signifying those who, by appointment of a Regent, enter free of tuition, books, &c.), numbered within the year sixty-four, and the volunteers twenty, a total enrollment of eighty-

four. The corps of cadets is divided into two companies fully officered, and a staff-color, guard, &c.

The number of cadets was never sufficient, until the years 1880-81, for the formation of two companies, by which much additional instruction, discipline and practice can be given to the cadet officers. It is now the aim, and the attainment of the department, to fit all who have been officers in the corps for one year, to take position as captain and instructor of a company with every facility for success that knowledge and practice can give. The discipline of the corps is based upon the army regulations, and is as strict as the circumstances of the Institution will permit.

The instruction given includes, in infantry, all of the schools of the company, a large portion of the school of the battalion; the duties of sentinels, with regular guard mountings, the ceremonies of dress parade and inspection reviews, and target practice.

Throughout all these, the discipline and civilities of military life are strictly observed. At the close of the past year the following cadets were graduated and discharged from the corps as officers: J. H. Stewart and E. D. Jeffries, Captains; D. H. Courtney, and G. C. Lewis, First Lieutenants; J. H. Lawhead, Second Lieutenant; A. L. Cox, Sergeant Major, (Staff).

I feel justified in saying, that I think no other department to which the State lends pecuniary aid, does so much for the youth of the State by way of developing a vigorous, erect, and graceful physical constitution, while they are cultivating their mental faculties. The advantage of this can be seen by a comparison of the young men graduated from the West Virginia University, with those from any other institution where physical culture is neglected.

I am sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. M. LEE,

Major and Commandant West Virginia Cadets.